all over the world. The money will be given to an advertising firm in England who will do the needful. If coffee is consumed locally no cess will have to be paid as it will be levied only on the exported article. Unless all planters co-operate, prices cannot improve and as the Government of India refuse to take action if all planters do not apply for it unanimously, these differences should not prevail.

Reply of Government.—No proposal has been made to the Government about the levy of the cess and the Association will be consulted in due course, if such a proposal is received.

SUBJECT No. 117.

Coffee deterioration.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The London merchants are of opinion that Indian coffee has deteriorated. It is the experience of many planters that the large show of blossoms does not set in properly. Experts may be asked to investigate the causes for deterioration of the quality of coffee and the failure of the blossoms to set in properly and suggest suitable remedies. Arrangements may also be made for the introduction of new seeds. As Indian planters do not belong to the United Planters' Association of Southern India, they cannot move Mr. Anstead, their Scientific Officer, to study the subject.

Reply of Government.—The subject will be taken up if practicable in due course, but the chances of early action are poor. Try the Scientific Officer specially engaged by the Planters' Associations.

SUBJECT No. 118.

Disposal by malki sale of relinquished coffee lands.

Mr. K. Tammaiya, Hassan District Board.

Summary of discussion.—Similar to the disposal of relinquished dry and wet lands by malki sale, the relinquished coffee lands may also be dealt with without reference to the upset price of Rs. 10 per acre. Moreover, as it is very troublesome and costly to improve such coffee lands, the shraya system of revenue may be allowed.

Reply of Government.—Some concessions can be shown in the case of lands lying relinquished for more than three years. If application is made to the local authorities for the grant of any particular land lying waste, the case will be dealt with on its merits.

SUBJECT No. 119.

Darkhasts for *banjar* lands.

(1) Mr. Ramachandrappa Dube, Kumsi Sub-Taluk.
(2) and (4) Mr. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur Taluk.
(3) Mr. A. Narasimhiengar, Sagar Taluk.
(4) Messrs. K. Shamaiengar and Nadig Bheema Rao, Channagiri Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) When a *banjar* land is applied for for purposes of cultivation, the grant of the *saguvali chit* to the *darkhastdar* is delayed till the close of the year. By the time the *chit* is received, the cultivating season will have been practically over, and the *darkhastdar* is thus obliged to unnecessarily pay the year's kandayam. It is prayed that orders may be passed directing the grant of *saguvali chits* immediately on receipt of *darkhasts*.